

**Public Hearing for David Renner & Kevin Schmitz for The Marketplace Kitchen
Special Permit Application for
Primary and Secondary Commercial Signs
Case # 061208B**

Wednesday, July 23, 2008

The public hearing was opened at 8:00 PM.

Planning Board members present were: Christopher Tomich, Anthony Gulotta, Margaret Martin, David Smith Sr. and Timothy Fulco. Sign -in sheet attached.

Secretary M. Martin read the legal notice of the Public Hearing into the public record. The notice had been published for two consecutive weeks in the *Berkshire Record*.

C. Tomich explained the purpose of the Special Permit Hearing and conducted the hearing.

The Applicant's Representative, Dan Jimmerson, explained that the primary sign will exist for safety and to show the location of the business. There are 2 proposed secondary signs because there are 3 separate businesses in the building: "The Marketplace Kitchen," Berkshire Bark," and the "Café."

D. Smith Sr. asked where the primary sign would be. Kevin Schmitz explained the location of the proposed signs on the map.

C. Tomich asked if the signs would be lit. Both Mr. Schmitz and Mr. Jimmerson said no.

T. Fulco asked what materials the signs would be made from. The answer was wood posts and composite for the sign board.

M. Martin asked about the design of the signs and Mr. Jimmerson said they would have a circular design of a chef's hat and they will be green.

C. Tomich asked if they got a variance on the current sign and Scott Rote of Wheeler and Taylor explained that the sign is on Wheeler and Taylor property and may remain there as long as the applicants wish.

C. Tomich read the following letters:

7/18/08 Sari Hoy and David O'Connor of 60 Main Street wrote that they are not in favor of allowing an increase in the size of the signs.

7/15/08 in an email Mrs. Genevieve Roche of 33 Elm Court wrote that she was in favor of larger signs and she mentioned other concerns not related to the signs.

C. Tomich asked if there were any other comments or questions. There were none.

At 8:20 PM, D. Smith Sr. made a motion, seconded and approved 5-0, to close the public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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